IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE OF ANDHRA PRADESH

AT HYDERABAD

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE N.V.RAMANA

W.P.No. 25098 of 1996

Dated : 26.9.2005

Between:

Bommineni Shankerlingam

.. Petitioner

and

Deputy Secretary to Government of

India, Ministry of Home Affairs,

New Delhi & others.

.. Respondents

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ORDER:

This writ petition is filed seeking a direction to the respondent Nos.1 and 2 to place the application of the petitioner before the screening committee for sanction of pension.

The petitioner claims to be freedom fighter worked as Congress worker and fought against Razakars in 1947-48 and the then Nizam Government. The petitioner states that he made an application to the respondents in October, 1984 along with the certificate issued by the Incharge of Jeelugumelli Border Camp, West Godavari district for grant of pension and as there was no response, the present writ petition is filed.

Heard the learned counsel for petitioner. None appeared for respondents.

The learned counsel for petitioner submits that the respondents 1 and 2 failed to forward the application of the petitioner to the Screening Committee constituted for the said purpose. He submits that although there is no screening committee at present, the respondents 1 to 3 are the competent authorities to consider the application of the petitioner for grant of pension.

The learned counsel, except saying that the petitioner has filed application to the respondents for grant of pension and the same is pending, did not place any material to substantiate whether any application was filed or is pending or not.

In view of the same, this writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents 1 to 3 to consider the application of the petitioner, if any pending with the respondents, for grant of pension and pass appropriate orders in accordance with law. No costs.

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N.V.RAMANA, J

Date: 26.9.2005

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